

ALL AGREE LONG BLOCK SHALL GO

City Officials Determined to Wipe Out the Buildings Where Tuberculosis Rages and Turn Plague Spot Into Park.

500 CHILDREN NOW HAVE DEADLY CONSUMPTION.

Park Commissioner Willcox Says Nothing but the Selfishness of Politicians Stands in the Way of Improvement.

"Nothing but the selfishness of politicians who believe in overcrowding tenement districts for their own advancement can keep us from razing 'Long Block' and turning it into a public park for the lower east side," said Commissioner Willcox to-day, while he was looking over a map of the city.

The Commissioner is enthusiastic about The Evening World's plan to raze the tenements of "Long Block," where births and deaths are almost simultaneous.

"Long Block" is that section of the lower east side better described as just back of "the Gap," bounded by Cherry street, Hamilton street, Market street and Catharine street. It is an eyesore to the city, and the spot in all New York where the death rate from tuberculosis, especially among the children, is greatest. This fact was only discovered by Health Commissioner Lederle and Tenement-House Commissioner De Forest after they had agitated razing the tenements on the triangular block bounded by Monroe, Market, Hamilton and Catharine streets.

When Mr. Willcox and Mr. De Forest learned of the awful death rate in "Long Block," they talked the matter over with Dr. Lederle and decided to make a fight for both blocks for the new park.

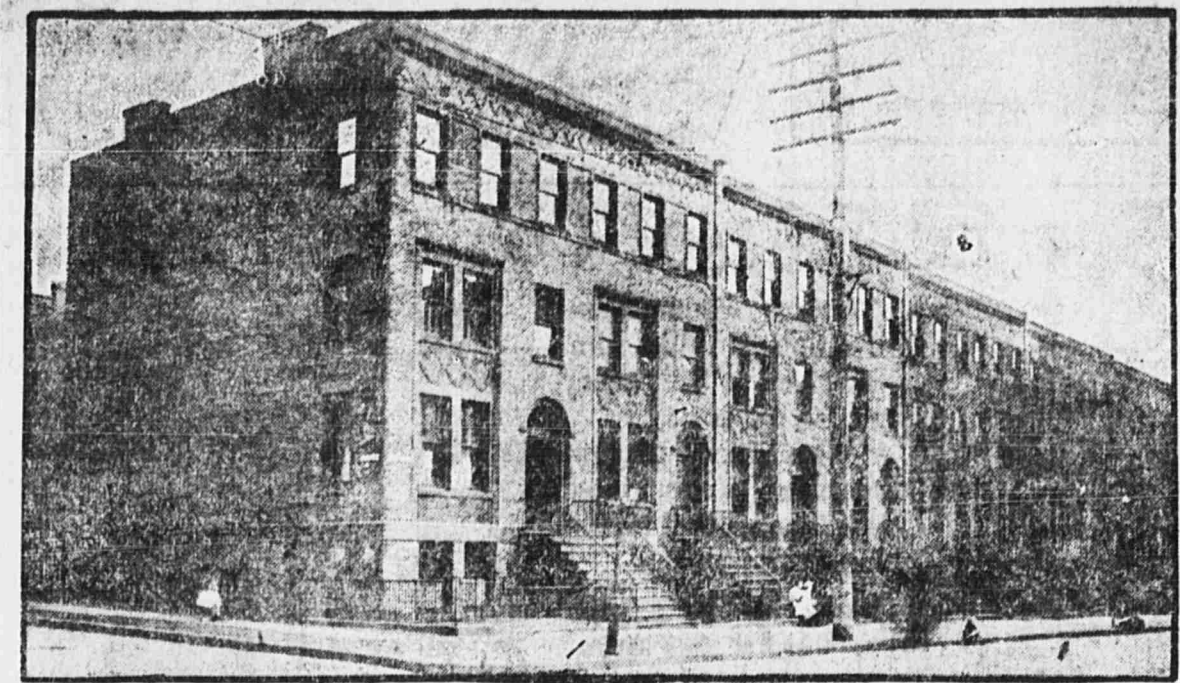
500 Have Consumption.

In "Long Block" there are five hundred pale-faced, thin children under ten years who are already in the various stages of consumption. The health authorities have tried in every way to check the spread of the disease, but despite their efforts there is hardly a week that a horse and carriage may not be seen moving out of the "Gap" to a cemetery.

"I cannot express myself too favorably in favor of including 'Long Block' in our latest east side project," said Commissioner Willcox. "Nobody knows better than Dr. Lederle, Commissioner De Forest and myself of the awful conditions that are now existing in 'Long Block'."

"We have the opposition of Alderman Marks, who represents that district. We also have in opposition the small storekeepers and the owners of the tenements, all of whom are prompted in their opposition by a selfish motive. Trees and

SOLID BLOCK OF HOUSES TO BE LIFTED A STORY TO MAKE ROOM FOR NEW FLOOR.



blades of grass cannot vote. When these two square blocks are turned into a public park there will be nothing left in Alderman Marks's district but trees and blades of grass. He knows that, and that is why he opposes the project so vigorously.

"Human life is nothing compared to votes from the view of a politician. Let anyone walk through Hamilton street from Catharine to Market and he or she will see what a great good the razing of the tenements will do, and in their place a park of green grass and trees."

"The cellar of every tenement is filthy; there isn't any ventilation, the halls are dark and poorly ventilated and in fact there is no place on the face of the earth where the tubercular plant has such an opportunity to thrive in the systems of both young and old as in the 'Gap.'"

Enough Parks, He Says.

When Alderman Isaac Marks was seen to-day he said:

"We have enough parks in that section at present. You cannot expect me to help wipe out the small storekeeper, compel people to leave their homes they have occupied for years and years simply because of this agitation. If the city makes a park out of this territory it includes Long Block in the plan, I shall represent only benches and trees in the 'Gap.'"

"I am just as anxious as anybody else to keep up the standard of health of everybody in New York. I maintain that Commissioner Lederle, if he exercised the same sanitary vigilance back of the 'Gap' as he does in other parts of the city, could stamp out tuberculosis in 'Long Block' and there would be no need of a park there."

"In that section we have the Rutgers Street Park and two other parks already. Now, there they are tearing down Catharine Market to turn that into a park. Why don't they turn the whole east side into a park and be done with it?"

"I am always looking after the interest of my constituents, and I have been studying this question from every side. I have made up my mind that for the best interests of all concerned it would be well not to have this proposed park. At the same time I am cognizant of the sanitary condition that exists in all that section known as the 'Gap' and back of the 'Gap.'"

"These conditions could be improved very easily by Commissioner Lederle."

TO LIFT BLOCK OF HOUSES ONE STORY

Ten of Them, and Contract Will Be One of the Biggest of Its Kind Ever Attempted in New York City.

The Hanging Gardens of Babylon were counted among the Seven Wonders of the World. Up in the Bronx, on St. Ann's avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, ten houses, comprising an entire block, will soon be raised, and an additional floor inserted, yet the accomplishment will receive no more than passing attention.

The houses to go up are three-story and basement brick single family structures. They were built eighteen years ago and have a total surface area of 17,000 square feet. It is planned to lift the big mass of brick and mortar just six feet, which will allow for the transformation of the basement into stores and the upper floors will be cut up into five room apartments.

For years this block on the east side of St. Ann's avenue has blushed because of its inability to yield a proper just exit, which will allow for the financial disappointment to the builder and owner, the late Dr. Gaillard Thomas, as there has not been a time in its

history when the entire row has been occupied by tenants.

With the exception of the two corner houses, and four houses in the center, for many years the Mary Fisher Home—a refuge for worn out teachers, artists and authors—the block has been almost totally uninhabited. The Twenty-third Ward on the lower edge of the Bronx shows the banner growth of any district in the city, yet the Thomas block remained an eyesore, as newcomers chose the more cozy surrounding flat houses for their homes, and under no circumstances could they be induced to rent into the Hoodoo Row on St. Ann's avenue.

"So when I bought the block," said Felix Levy, the Harlem investor to an Evening World reporter, "I decided to lift the hoodoo. That can only be done by transforming the row into flat houses with a string of stores along the ground floor. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$50,000 to hold the three upper floors and make the necessary alterations, and I guess that is about the largest house-moving contract ever attempted in this city."

Difficulty is being had in finding a contractor who will undertake the job. As the block cost Mr. Levy about \$20,000 as it stands, he will require a large bond for the work to be done, and the Greater City is being canvassed from the Westchester line to the Battery for a live contractor. Just at present there are four tenants in the block and they have been notified to vacate within thirty days so that the work of building in the new ground floor can be begun.

Arbitrators Thank Carnegie.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 11.—Secretary-General Ruyssenaers has called to Andrew Carnegie, in behalf of the arbitrators, and others connected with the Venezuelan case, expressing gratitude for his generous contribution to the cause of peace.

Andrew Carnegie gave \$1,500,000 for a Temple of Peace for the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague.

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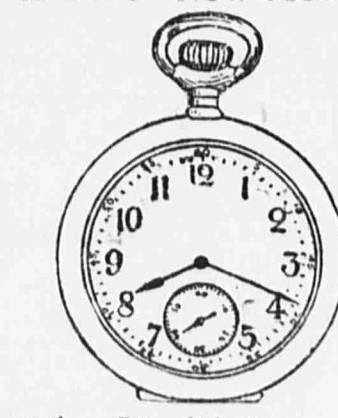


A hunting case watch, sterling silver, engine turned, good Swiss works, of modest appearance, but a trusty timekeeper. Guaranteed Swiss works, not of the cheaper sort, but a good timekeeper. Price \$6.

Fit for Any Lady.



A Fine "New Model"



works. Price \$22.50.

A Lady's Watch, with solid 14-karat gold hunting case, richly engraved, somewhat heavier than the one we sold at the same price last year. Choice of Waltham, Elgin or LAMBERT works. A joy to the eye and a fine timekeeper. Price \$18.

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Simpson Crawford Co.

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Infants' Shoes, special lot, in pink, blue, white and black; nicely made and finished; special value 25c. at 15c.

Infants' Stockings, all-wool black cashmere, double knee and spliced heels; sizes are 4 and 4½; regular value 35c. pair; special, 3 pairs, 60c.—or—19c.

Children's fleecy-lined Sleeping Garments, with feet, in natural; all sizes; special at 25c.

SECOND FLOOR.

Infants' and Children's Merino Shirts and Bands, pearl buttons, finished with floss edges all around; all sizes. 25c.

Children's and Misses' Knit Sweaters, of fine grade yarn, in white, cardinal and navy; \$2.00 value, at 1.50.

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Much Below Value Is This Lot of Women's Night Gowns.

Five thousand of them—in muslin, cambric and flannelette—and all underprice.

Really an extraordinary collection—for qualities are excellent and making perfect—the sort of gowns your own needlework would produce.

48c Muslin Night Gowns, full sizes, with hemstitched tucked yoke, surplice neck, trimmed with a neat hemstitched lawn ruffle, pearl buttons.

98c Twenty styles to choose from, muslin, cambric and nainsook, all trimmed with good washable laces and embroideries. The \$1.25 and \$1.50 kind.

1.50 Nainsook and Cambric Night Gowns, yokes all trimmed with fine laces, embroidery, insertion and baby ribbon.

68c Women's Flannelette Night Gowns, made with round collar, sizes 14 to 18, in neat light stripes.

SECOND FLOOR.

At Very Special Prices To-Morrow Are Two Lots of Women's \$3.50 Shoes at \$1.85 and \$2.25.

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No. 3. \$9.95

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Keane asks your special attention to the remarkably high quality of the Furniture and Home Furnishings that go to make our complete Four-room Flat at \$125. Keane not only gives the biggest values you ever saw, but also makes the easiest possible terms. Four rooms completely furnished, \$125.

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H.O'Neill & Co.

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WOMEN'S COATS, of unfinished chevrons, velvet collars, shoulder capes, new sleeves, satin linings, very finely finished. \$19.75 Value \$25.00.

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